

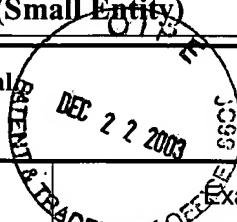
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**COMBINED AMENDMENT & PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF  
TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) (Small Entity)**

Docket No.  
13070-1

In Re Application Of: **SHABAHANG, Shahrokh et al.**



Serial No.  
09/769,981

Filing Date  
January 25, 2001

Examiner  
Jana A. Hines

Group Art Unit  
1645

Invention: **Method for the Evaluation of Implantable Materials**

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of 08/07/2003 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month  Two months  Three months  Four months  Five months

from: November 7, 2003 *Date* until: January 7, 2003 *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.  
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

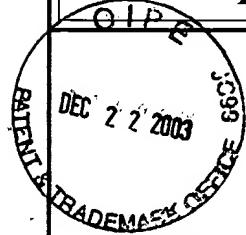
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	22 -	22 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	2 -	3 =	0	x \$42.00	\$0.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$0.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$205.00
<b>TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME</b>					<b>\$205.00</b>

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of \$205.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-2090 in the amount of \$205.00

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2090

Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.

Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 19-2090

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Dated: December 17, 2003

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on December 17, 2003 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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